

THE
Church CATECHISM

Broke into
Short QUESTIONS:

To which is added,

An EXPLANATION of some
Words, for the easier Under-
standing of it.

Together with

PRAYERS
For the USE of the
CHARITY-SCHOOLS.

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THE Use of these Questions is, to try whether Children repeat their Catechism by rote, to engage their Attention, and to imprint the Sense of it on their Minds. The Answers to most of them may be found in the very Words of the Church Catechism, in the *Questions* and *Answers* under which they are put.



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Short QUESTIONS, &c.

Quest.  *HAT is your Name?*

Ans. N. or M.

Quest.  *Who gave you this Name?*Ans. My ^a Godfathers and Godmothers ^b in my Baptism, wherein I was made ^c a Member of ^d Christ, ^e the Child of God, and an Inheritor of ^f the Kingdom of Heaven.*By whom was your Name given you? ^a**When was your Name given you? ^b**What Name was then given you, your Christian Name, or your Sir-name?**What were you made at your Baptism? ^c**Whose Member were you then made? ^d**Whose Child were you then made? ^e**Of what were you then made an Inheritor?**Who, at their Baptism, had these Benefits made over to them?*

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Quest.

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Quest. What did your Godfathers and Godmothers then for you?

Answ. ^a They did promise and vow three Things in ^b my Name. ^c First, that I should renounce ^d the Devil and ^e all his Works, the Pomps and Vanity ^f of this ^g wicked World, and all ^h the sinful Lusts of the Flesh. ⁱ Secondly, that I should believe ^m all ^k the Articles of ^l the Christian Faith. ⁿ And thirdly, that I should keep ^o God's holy Will and Commandments, and walk ^p in the same ^q all the Days of my Life.

Who promised three Things in your Name? ^a

In whose Name did they promise them? ^b

What is the FIRST Thing your Godfathers and Godmothers promised in your Name? ^c

Whom did they promise you should renounce, abhor, and not yield to, but resist? ^d

Whose Works did they promise you should renounce and forsake? ^d

How many of the Devil's Works did they promise you should renounce? ^e

What Pomps, or Pride, and Vanities, did they promise you should renounce? ^f

What is the World called in the Catechism? ^g

What sinful Lusts did they promise you should renounce? ^h

What is the SECOND Thing your Godfathers and Godmothers promised in your Name? ⁱ

What did they promise you should believe? ^k

What Faith is it whose Articles they promised you should believe? ^l

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How many Articles of the Christian Faith did they promise you should believe? ^m

What is the THIRD Thing your Godfathers and Godmothers promised in your Name? ⁿ

What are you by this Promise to keep? ^o

In what are you to walk? ^p

How long are you to walk in God's holy Will and Commandments? ^q

Quest. Dost thou not think that thou art bound to believe, and to do as they have promised for thee?

Ans/w. ^b Yes verily; and ^a by God's Help so I will. And ^g I heartily ^f thank ^d our heavenly Father, that he hath called me to this ^c State of Salvation, ^e through Jesus Christ our Saviour. And I ^k pray unto God to give me ⁱ his Grace, that I may continue in the same ^h unto my Life's End.

By whose Help will you believe and do as your Godfathers and Godmothers have promised for you? ^a

Will you therefore, with your own Mouth ratify and renew that Promise and Vow which was made in your Name at your Baptism? ^b

Into what State were you called by Baptism? ^c

Who called you to it? ^d

Through whom were you called to it? ^e

What Return are you to make to God for calling you to it? ^f

How are you to thank him? ^g

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How long do you desire to continue in this State of Salvation? ^h

Whose Grace must you have, to enable you to do so? ⁱ

How must you obtain God's Grace? ^k

Catechist, Rehearse the Articles of thy Belief.

Answer.

I. I Believe in ^a God the Father ^b Almighty, Maker ^c of Heaven and Earth.

II. And in Jesus Christ his only Son ^d our Lord.

III. Who was conceived ^e by the Holy Ghost, born ^f of the Virgin Mary.

IV. Suffered ^g under Pontius Pilate: ^h Was crucified, ⁱ dead, and ^k buried, He descended ^l into Hell.

V. ^m The third Day ⁿ he rose again from the dead.

VI. He ascended ^o into Heaven, And sitteth at ^p the Right Hand of ^q God the Father Almighty.

VII. ^r From thence he shall come ^s to judge the ^t quick and the dead.

VIII. I believe in ^u the Holy Ghost.

IX. The ^v holy Catholick Church.

^w The Communion of Saints.

X. ^x The Forgivenes of Sins.

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XI. ^a The Resurrection of the Body.

XII. And ^a the Life everlasting.

Amen.

Ques. How many Articles or Points of Faith, does the Creed contain ?

Answ. Twelve.

Which is the *First Article* ?

Who do you believe in ? ^a

What kind of Father is God ? ^b

Who governs the World, and all Things therein by his Providence ? ^a

Of what is he the Maker ? ^c

Who made you and all other Creatures ? ^a

Which is the *Second Article* of the Creed ?

Whose Son (as God) is Jesus Christ ?

Hath God any more such Sons ?

Is Jesus Christ then his only Son ?

What is Jesus Christ to us ? ^d

Which is the *Third Article* of the Creed ?

By whom, when he became Man, was he conceived ? ^e

Of whom was he born ? ^f

Which is the *Fourth Article* of the Creed ?

Under whom did he suffer ? ^g

What Death did he suffer ? ^h

Was he taken alive from the Cross, or dead ? ⁱ

What was done with him after his Death ? ^k

Whither did Christ descend ? ^l

Which is the *Fifth Article* of the Creed ?

Did he continue in that State, or did he rise again from the Dead ? ^h

What Day of his Death did he rise again ? ^m

Which is the *Sixth Article* ?

Whither went he after his Resurrection ? ^o

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To what Place is he exalted in Heaven ? ^p
At whose Right Hand doth he sit there ? ^q
Which is the *Seventh Article* ?
Shall he always continue there, or will he
come from thence ? ^r

What shall he come to do ? ^f

Whom shall Christ judge when he cometh
from Heaven ? ^s

What Third Person do you profess to believe
in, in the *Eighth Article* ?

What Ghost or Spirit do you believe in ? ^t

What is the *Ninth Article* of the Creed ?

What Church do you believe ? ^v

What is the Catholick Church called ? ^w

Which is the *Tenth Article* ?

What Forgiveness do you believe ? ^x

Repeat the *Eleventh Article* ?

What Resurrection do you believe ? ^y

Which is the *Twelfth Article* ?

What Life do you believe ? ^z

Quest. *What dost thou chiefly learn in
these Articles of thy Belief ?*

Answ. First, I learn to believe in God
the Father, who hath ^a made me, and
^b all the World.

Secondly, in God the Son, who hath
redeemed me and ^d all Mankind.

Thirdly, in God the Holy Ghost,
who ^e sanctifieth me, and ^f all the elect
People of God.

You say you believe in God the Father,
God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost.

Are these three GODS ?

Answ. No.

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What are they then ?

Answ. Three Persons in ONE Godhead.

What did God the Father for you ? ^a

Did he make any more than you ? ^b

What did God the Son for you ? ^c

Did he redeem any beside you ? ^d

What doth the Holy Ghost for you ? ^e

Doth he sanctify any more than you ? ^f

Quest. You said that your Godfathers and Godmothers did promise for you, that you should keep God's Commandments. Tell me how many there be ?

Answ. Ten.

Quest. Which be they ?

Answer.

THE same which ^a God spake in ^b the twentieth Chapter of Exodus, saying, I am the Lord thy God, who ^c brought thee out of the Land of Egypt, out of the ^d House of Bondage.

Who spake these Commandments ? ^a

In what Place of Scripture do we find these Commandments ? ^b

What did God for his People *Israel* ? ^c

What was the Land of *Egypt* to them ? ^d

Which is the First Commandment ?

Thou shalt have none other Gods but me.

What is forbidden in the First Commandment ?

Which is the Second Commandment ?

Thou shalt not make to thy self ^a any

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graven Image, nor the likeness of ^b any thing that is in Heaven above, or in the Earth beneath, or in the Water under the Earth: ^c Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: For I the Lord thy God am a ^d jealous God, and visit the Sins of the Fathers upon the Children, unto the third and fourth Generation of ^e them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that ^f love me, and ^g keep my Commandments.

What is it that we are forbidden to make for a God? ^a

What are we forbidden to liken God to? ^b

What are we forbidden to do to the Image or Pictures of other Beings? ^c

What Name or Attribute doth God here assume, to deter us from doing these Things? ^d

How does God judge such as do these things to be affected to him? ^e

How are his true Worshippers affected to him? ^f

How do Men show that they love God? ^g

Rehearse the Third Commandment?

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God ^a in vain: For the Lord ^b will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain:

How must we not take or use the Name of God? ^a

What doth God threaten to such as take his Name in vain? ^b

Which is the Fourth Commandment?

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Remember that thou keep holy ^a the Sabbath Day: ^b Six Days shalt thou labour, and do ^c all that thou hast to do: but the ^d seventh Day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of Work, thou, and thy Son, and thy Daughter, thy Man-servant and thy Maid-servant, thy Cattle, and the Stranger that is within thy Gates. ^e For in ^f Six Days the Lord made Heaven and Earth, the Sea, and all that in them is, and rested the Seventh Day; wherefore the Lord ^g blessed the Seventh Day, and hallowed it.

What Day is it that we must keep holy? ^a

How many Days in every Week may we labour? ^b

What must we do in those Six Days? ^c

What proportion of Time in every Week must God's Sabbath take up? ^d

May we do any manner of Work hereupon?

Ans^w. No; Except Works of Piety, Necessity, or Charity.

If Parents work not themselves, may they not set their Children to work?

May Masters or Mistresses set their Servants or Cattle to work?

Is it lawful to play on the Sabbath Day?

What Reason doth God fortify this Law withal? ^e

What did God for the seventh Day, when he had rested on it? ^f

In how many Days did God make the World? ^g

Why

Why did God bless and hallow this Day?

Ans^w. That we might rest from our ordinary Works, and in an especial manner Pray and give Thanks to him.

Which is the Fifth Commandment?

Honour thy ^a Father and thy Mother, that thy ^b Days may be long in the Land which the Lord thy God giveth thee?

Who are the Persons this Commandment requires you to honour? ^a

What may those expect, who honour their Father and Mother? ^b

Which is the Sixth Commandment?

Thou shalt do no Murder.

What does God forbid in this Commandment?

Which is the Seventh Commandment?

Thou shalt not commit Adultery.

What is here forbidden?

Which is the Eighth Commandment?

Thou shalt not Steal.

What does this Commandment forbid?

Which is the Ninth Commandment?

Thou shalt not bear ^a false Witness against thy ^b Neighbour.

What kind of Witness must you not bear? ^a

Against whom must you not bear false Witness? ^b

Thou shalt not covet thy ^a Neighbour's House, thou shalt not covet thy Neighbour's ^b Wife, nor ^b his Servant, nor ^b his Maid, nor ^b his Ox, nor ^b his Ass, nor ^c any thing that is his.

What

What are you here forbidden to covet ? ^a

What other Particulars of your Neighbour's are you forbidden to have an unlawful Desire of ? ^b

Which is the Expression in this Commandment, that forbids you to covet any of your Neighbour's Goods ? ^c

Quest. *What dost thou chiefly learn by these Commandments ?*

Answ. I learn ^a two things: My Duty towards God, and ^b my Duty towards my Neighbour.

How many Things do you learn by these Commandments ? ^a

Which are those two Things ? ^b

Quest. *What is thy Duty towards God ?*

Answ. My Duty towards ^a God, is to believe in him, to fear him, and to love him ^b with all my Heart, with all my Mind, with all my Soul, and with all my Strength; to worship him, to give him Thanks, to put ^c my whole Trust in him, to call upon him, to ^d honour his Holy Name and his Word; and to serve him ^e truly ^f all the Days of my Life.

Whom are you to believe in, love, and worship ? ^a

How are you to love God ? ^b

What Trust must you put in him ? ^c

What belonging to God must you honour ? ^d

How must you serve him ? ^e

How long must you serve him ? ^f

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Quest. What is thy Duty towards thy Neighbour ?

Answ. My Duty towards my Neighbour, is to love him ^a as my self, and to do to all Men, ^b as I would they should do unto me. To ^c love, ^c honour, and ^c succour my Father and Mother. To honour and obey the ^d King, and all that are put in Authority under Him. To submit my self to ^e all my Governors, ^e Teachers, ^c Spiritual Pastors, and ^c Masters. To order my self ^f lowly and reverently to all my Betters. To ^a hurt no body by Word or Deed. To be ^b true and just in all my Dealings. To bear ⁱ no Malice nor Hatred in my Heart. To keep my Hands from ^k picking and stealing; and my Tongue from ^l Evil speaking, Lying, and Slander. To keep my Body ^m in Temperance, Soborness, and Chastity. Not to ⁿ covet nor desire other Mens Goods; but to learn and labour ^o truly ^p to get mine own Living, and to do ^q my Duty in that State of Life unto which it shall please God to call me.

How must you love your Neighbour ? ^a

How must you do to all Men ? ^b

What must you do to your Natural Parents, your Father and Mother ? ^c

Who

Who must you honour and obey ? ^d
To whom must you submit your self ? ^e
How must you order your self to all your
Betters ? ^f

What are you not to do to any body ? ^g
What must you be in all your Dealings ? ^h
What must you not bear in your Heart ? ⁱ
What are you to keep your Hands from ? ^k
What your Tongue ? ^l
How are you to keep your Body ? ^m
What are you not to do, with respect to other
Mens Goods ? ⁿ

What are you to learn and labour for ? ^o
In what manner must you get your own
Living ? ^p

What are you to do in that State of Life,
which it shall please God to call you to ? ^q

Catechift. *My good Child, know this,*
that thou art not able to do these Things of
thy self, nor to walk in the Commandments
of God, and to serve him, without his spe-
cial Grace, which thou must learn at all
times to call for by diligent Prayer. *Let me*
hear therefore if thou canſt ſay the Lord's-
Prayer.

Answer.

OUR ^a Father, which art in ^b Hea-
ven.
I. Hallowed be thy ^c Name.
II. Thy ^d Kingdom come.
III. Thy Will ^e be done ^f in Earth,
As ^g it is in Heaven.

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IV. Give us this Day our daily Bread.

V. And forgive us our Trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us.

VI. And lead us not into Temptation ; but deliver us from Evil.

For thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Whom do you here pray to ?
What relation does God bear to us ?
Where is God in a special manner present ?
Which is the First Petition in this Prayer ?
What do we therein desire may be hallowed or sanctified ?

Which is the Second Petition ?
What do we therein pray may come ?
Which is the Third Petition ?
What do we here ask concerning God's Will ?

Where do we pray that this may be done ?
How shall God's Will be done on Earth ?
Which is the Fourth Petition ?

What is the Thing we beg for in this Petition ?

How much Bread do we pray for every Day ?

Which is the Fifth Petition ?
What do we here pray to God to forgive ?
How do we desire God should forgive us ?
Whom are we to forgive, if we will be forgiven by God ?

Which is the Sixth Petition ?

What

What do we here pray not to be led into? ⁿ

What do we pray to be delivered from? ^o

Which is the Conclusion of this Prayer? ^p

What do we herein acknowledge to belong to God? ^q

How long do we acknowledge these things to belong to him? ^r

Quest. *What desirest thou of God in this Prayer?*

Answ. I desire ^s my Lord God, our heavenly Father, who is the Giver of all Goodness, to send ^t his Grace ^c unto me, and to all People, ^d that we may worship him, serve him, and obey him as we ought to do: And I pray unto God, that he will send us ^e all things that be needful both for our Souls and Bodies; and that he will be merciful unto us, and forgive us our ^f Sins; and that it will please him to save and defend us in ^g all Dangers ghostly and bodily; and that he will keep us from ^h all Sin and Wickedness, and ⁱ from our ghostly Enemy, and ^k from ^l everlasting Death. And this I trust he will do of ^m his Mercy and Goodness, ⁿ thro' our Lord Jesus Christ. And therefore I say, *Amen.* ^o So be it.

Who is the Giver of all Goodness? ^s

What do we first pray God to send? ^t

To whom do you pray God to send it? ^c

To

To what end do you pray to God to send it ?^d

What are the next things we pray him to send us ?^e

What needful things do we pray him to send us ?^e

For what do you pray God to be merciful to us, and forgive us ?^f

What do we pray to be saved and defended in ?^g

What do we pray that God would keep us from ?^h

Which is the *First* of those things we pray that God will keep us from ?ⁱ

Which is the *Second* ?^k

Who is our ghostly or spiritual Enemy ?

Which is the *Third* Thing we pray that God will keep us from ?^l

What Death do we pray against ?^l

What is the Foundation of our Trust in God ?^m

Through whom do you expect to receive all good things ?ⁿ

What is the Meaning of the Word *Amen* ?^o

Question.

HOW many Sacraments hath Christ ordained in his Church ?

Answe. ^c Two only as ^b generally necessary ^c to Salvation; that is to say,

^a Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord.

Which are the two Sacraments ? Name them ?^a

Are these Sacraments necessary ?^b

To what End are they necessary ?^c

Are they necessary only to some particular Christians, or generally to all ?^b

Are

Are there any more than two Sacraments ? ^c

Quest. What meanest thou by this Word,
Sacrament ?

Answ. I mean ^a an outward and visible
Sign of ^b an inward and spiritual ^c Grace,
given unto us, ordained by ^c Christ
himself, as a Means whereby we receive
the same, [Grace] and a ^d Pledge to
^e assure us thereof.

What kind of Sign is requisite to make a
Sacrament ? ^a

What kind of Grace must it be an outward
visible Sign of ? ^b

Who has Authority to ordain such a Sign of
Grace ? ^c

Who gives this Grace ? ^c

Of what use are Sacraments to us ? ^d

Of what are Sacraments Means ? ^e

What do they as Pledges ? ^f

Quest. How many Parts are there in a
Sacrament ?

Answ. Two: ^a The outward visible
Sign, and ^b the inward and spiritual
Grace.

Which is the First Part ? ^a

Which is the Second ? ^b

Quest. What is the outward visible Sign,
or Form in Baptism ?

Answer. ^a Water, wherein the Per-
son is Baptized, ^b In the Name of the
Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy
Ghost.

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Wherewith are Persons to be Baptized ? ^a

In whose Name are they to be Baptized ? ^b

Quest. *What is the inward and spiritual Grace ?*

Ans^w. A Death ^a unto Sin, and a new Birth unto ^b Righteousness : For being by Nature born in Sin, and the ^c Children of ^d Wrath, we are hereby made the ^e Children of Grace.

What are baptized Persons to die unto ? ^a

What are they therein new born to ? ^b

What are you and all Persons by Nature ? ^c

What are you by Nature Children of, or liable to ? ^d

What are you made by Baptism ? ^e

Quest. *What is required of Persons to be baptized ?*

Ans^w. Repentance, whereby they ^a forsake Sin; and Faith, whereby they steadfastly ^b believe the ^c Promises of God made to them in that Sacrament.

What do Persons do when they repent : Or by Repentance ? ^a

What do they do by Faith ? ^b

What Promises (especially in Baptism) are we to believe ? ^c

Quest. *Why then are Infants baptized, when by Reason of their tender Age they cannot perform them ?*

Ans^w. Because they promise them both by ^a their Sureties ; Which Promise,

mise, ^c when they come to Age, ^b themselves are bound to^a perform.

What do Infants promise in Baptism?

Answ. Both *Repentance* and *Faith*.

By whom do they promise them? ^a

Who are bound to perform the Promises made for Infants by their Sureties? ^b

When are they bound to perform them? ^c

Quest. *Why was the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ordained?*

Answ. For the ^c continual Remembrance of the ^b Sacrifice of ^a the Death of Christ, and of the ^d Benefits which we receive thereby.

What are we to Remember in the Lord's Supper? ^a

What is the Death of Christ here called? ^b

How long is this Sacrifice of Christ's Death to be remembred? ^c

What else besides the Sacrifice of Christ's Death are we to remember herein? ^d

Quest. *What is the outward Part or Sign of the Lord's Supper?*

Answ. ^a Bread and Wine, which the ^b Lord hath commanded to be received.

What has Christ commanded to be received in the Lord's Supper? ^a

Has he commanded both Bread and Wine to be received? ^b

Why must we necessarily receive both? ^b

Quest. *What is the inward Part, or Thing signified?*

Answ.

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Answ. ^a The Body and Blood of Christ, which are verily and indeed taken and received by the ^b Faithful in the Lord's Supper.

What is verily and indeed taken and received in the Lord's Supper? ^a

By whom are the Body and Blood of Christ verily and indeed received in the Lord's Supper? ^b

Quest. What are the Benefits whereof we are Partakers thereby?

Answ. The strengthening and refreshing of ^a our Souls ^b by the Body and Blood of Christ, ^c as our Bodies are by the Bread and Wine.

What is it that is strengthened and refreshed in the Lord's Supper? ^a

Whereby are our Souls strengthened and refreshed? ^b

In what manner are they there strengthened and refreshed? ^c

Quest. What is required of them who come to the Lord's Supper?

Answ. To examine themselves ^a whether (1.) they repent them ^c truly ^b of their former Sins, ^c stedfastly purposing ^a to lead a new Life; (2.) ^f have ^b a lively ^e Faith in God's Mercy ⁱ through Christ, (3.) ^k with a ^l thankful Remembrance of his Death; (4.) and be ^m in Charity with ⁿ all Men.

What

What is the *First* Thing to be examined by them who come to the Lord's Supper ? ^a

What are Men to repent of before they come ? ^b

How are they to repent of them ? ^c

What are they to purpose ? ^d

What is the *Second* Thing to be examined ? ^e

In what must they have this Faith ? ^f

What kind of Faith must they have ? ^g

Through whom doth this lively Faith expect Mercy ? ^h

What is the *Third* Thing to be examined ? ⁱ

What kind of Remembrance must we have of the Death of Christ ? ^j

What is the *Fourth* Thing to be examined ? ^m

Who must they be in Charity with, who will worthily receive this Sacrament ? ⁿ

How are they thus to purpose ? ^e

Catechism, for the easier Understanding thereof.

A.	Almighty, able to do all things.	evil Sights, Shews, or Dresses.
B.	Ascended, went up.	Quick, Living, those that shall be found alive upon the Earth, at the Day of Judgment.
C.	Catholick, General or Universal.	R.
D.	Descended, went down.	Rehearse, repeat, or reckon up.
E.	Everlasting, without end.	Renounce, declare against, forsake, and have nothing to do with.
F.	Ghost, Spirit.	Repentance, Sorrow for Sin, accompanied with a Change of Mind and Life.
G.	Ghostly, Spiritual.	Resurrection, a Rising again.
H.	Ghostly Enemy, the Devil.	S.
I.	Grace, Help or Assistance.	Sabbath, a Day of Rest, or a Time set apart for Holy Uses.
J.	Children of Grace, Children of God.	Sacrifice, an Offering made to God by shedding of Blood.
K.	Not hold him Guiltless, will most surely punish.	Saints, holy Persons.
L.	Hallowed, made holy, or used with Reverence.	Sanctifieth, maketh holy.
M.	Inheritor, Heir.	Succour, Comfort, Aid, or Help.
N.	Neighbour, every body.	V.
O.	Ordained, Appointed.	Visible, that may be seen.
P.	Pastor, Minister.	
Q.	Pledge, Earnest.	
R.	Pomps, Vain-glorious, or	

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PRAYERS

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A Morning Prayer for the Use of the Masters or Mistresses and Scholars.

Praised be the Lord from the rising up of the Sun, to the going down of the same. Thou art our God, and we will Praise thee ; Thou art our God, and we will Thank thee.

Thou hast made us after thine own Image ; thou daily preservest and providest for us : Thou hast redeemed us by the precious Blood of thy dear Son ; thou hast given us thy holy Word for our Direction, and promis'd thy holy Spirit for our Assistance ; thou hast raised up to us Friends and Benefactors,

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who have taken Care of our Education and Instruction ; thou hast brought us together again this Morning, to teach and to learn that which may be profitable to us.

For these and all thy Favours, Spiritual and Temporal, our Souls do Bless and Magnify thy Holy Name, humbly beseeching thee to accept this our Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving, thro' *Jesus Christ* our Lord.

And do thou, O Lord, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this Day, defend us in the same by thy mighty Power, and grant that this Day we fall into no Sin, neither run into any kind of Danger ; but that all our Doings may be ordered by thy Governance, to do always that which is righteous in thy Sight, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord.

Particularly we beg thy Blessing upon our present Undertaking. Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious Favour, and further us with thy continual Help, that in these and all our Works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy Mercy obtain

obtain everlasting Life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We humbly acknowledge, O Lord, the great Imperfection and Disorder both of our Minds and of our Lives, that we are unable to help our selves, and unworthy of thy Assistance : But we beseech Thee, through the Merits of our Blessed Redeemer, to pardon our Offences, to enlighten our Understandings, to strengthen our Memories, to sanctify our Hearts, and to guide our Lives. Help us, we pray Thee, to learn and to practise those things which are good, that we may become serious Christians, and useful in the World ; to the Glory of thy great Name, the Satisfaction of those who have so kindly provided for our Souls and Bodies, and our own present and future Well-being.

Bless and defend, we beseech Thee, from all their Enemies, our most gracious Sovereign Lord King *GEORGE*, their Royal Highnesses *Frederick Prince of Wales*, the *Princes of Wales*, the Duke, the Princesses, the Issue of the Prince and Princess of *Wales*, and all the Royal Family. Let thy Blessings be also bestowed upon all those in Authority under his Majesty in Church and State ; as also upon

all our Friends and Benefactors, particularly those who are concerned in the Care of this School. Prosper thou the Work of their hands: O Lord, prosper thou their handy-work.

These Prayers, both for them and ourselves, we humbly offer up in the Name of thy Son *Jesus Christ*, our Redeemer, concluding in his most perfect Form of Words.

Our Father, &c.

An Evening Prayer for the Master or Mistress and Scholars.

Accept, we beseech thee, O Lord, our Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving for all thy Goodness and Loving-kindness to us; particularly for the Blessings of this Day, for thy gracious Protection and Preservation, for the Opportunities we have enjoy'd for the Instruction and Improvement of our Minds, for all the Comforts of this Life, and the Hope of Life everlasting, through *Jesus Christ* our Redeemer.

We humbly acknowledge, O Lord, that we are altogether unworthy of the least

least of all thy Favours; that we continually fall short of our Duty, and have too often transgres'd thy Holy Laws.

Forgive, most merciful Father, we humbly pray thee, all the Errors and Transgressions, which thou hast beheld in us the Day past, and help us to express our unfeigned Sorrow for what has been amiss, by our Care to amend it.

What we know not, do thou teach us; instruct us in all the Particulars of our Duty, both towards thee, and towards Men; and give us Grace always to do those things which are good and well-pleasing in thy sight, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord.

Whatsoever good Instructions have been here given this Day, grant that they may be carefully remembred, and duly followed; and whatsoever good Desires thou hast put into any of our Hearts, grant that by the assistance of thy Grace they may be brought to good Effect, that thy Name may have the Honour, and we, with those who are assistant to us in this Work of our Instruction, may have comfort at the Day of Account, through our Lord and Saviour *Jesus Christ*.

Lighten our Darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord, and by thy great Mercy defend us from all Perils and Dangers of this Night; continue to us the Blessings which we enjoy, and help us to testify our Thankfulness for them, by a due use and improvement of them.

Bless and defend, we beseech thee, from all their Enemies, Our most gracious Sovereign Lord King *GEORGE*, their Royal Highnesses *Frederick Prince of Wales*, the *Princess of Wales*, the Duke, the Princesses, the Issue of the Prince and Princess of *Wales*, and all the Royal Family. Bless also all those in Authority in Church and State, together with all our Friends and Benefactors, particularly those who are concerned in the Care of this School, for whom we are bound in especial manner to pray. Bless this and all other Schools for Religious and truly Christian Education. And direct and prosper all pious Endeavours for the *Propagation of thy Gospel* in the World.

These Praises and Prayers, we humbly offer up to thy divine Majesty, thro' the Mediation of thy Son *Jesus Christ* our Lord; in whose holy Name and Words, we sum up all our Desires.

Our Father, &c.

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*A Morning Prayer, to be used daily
by every Child at Home.*

Glory be to thee, O Lord, who hast preserved me from the Perils of the Night past, who hast refreshed me with Sleep, and raised me up again to praise thy holy Name.

I humbly worship thee, O God my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ my Redeemer, and I do again devote myself to thee, desiring to serve thee faithfully this, and all the Days of my Life.

I was made thy Child, and the Disciple of thy Son Jesus, by Baptism, and then received the Promise of thy Holy Spirit. Let that good Spirit thoroughly cleanse me from all the Corruption of my Nature.

Help me to remember thee, my Creator, in the Days of my Youth.

Preserve me from those Errors and Follies, to which the Frailty of my Age does most expose me, and keep me Innocent from every great Offence.

Deliver me from the Vanity of mine own Heart, and from the Temptations of evil Company.

Incline

Incline my Heart to all that is good, that I may be Modest and Humble, True and Just, Temperate and Diligent, Respectful and Obedient to my Superiours, that I may Fear and Love thee above all, that I may love my Neighbour as my Self, and do to every one as I would they should do unto me.

Let thy good Providence defend me this Day from all Evil; let the Grace of thy holy Spirit continually prevent and assist me.

Bless me, I pray thee, in my Learning, and help me daily to encrease in Knowledge, and Wisdom, and all Virtue.

Bless and defend, I beseech thee, from all their Enemies, our most gracious Sovereign Lord King *GEORGE*, their Royal Highnesses *Frederick Prince of Wales*, the *Princess of Wales*, the Duke, the Princesses, the Issue of the Prince and Princess of *Wales*, and all the Royal Family.

I humbly beg thy Blessing also upon all our spiritual Pastors and Masters, all my Relations and Friends, (particularly* my Father and Mother, my Brothers

* Here let every Child mention his or her particular Relations.

thers and Sisters,) and every one in this House. Grant to them whatsoever may be good for them in this Life, and guide them to Life everlasting.

I humbly commit my self to thee, O Lord, in the Name of *Jesus Christ* my Saviour, and in the Words which he himself hath taught me.

Our Father, &c.

*An Evening Prayer to be used daily by
every Child at Home.*

Glory be to thee, O Lord, who hast preserved me the Day past, who hast defended me from all the Evils to which I am constantly expos'd in this uncertain Life, who hast continued my Health, who hast bestowed upon me all things necessary for Life and Godliness.

I humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, to pardon whatsoever thou hast seen amiss in me this Day, in my Thoughts, Words, or Actions. [**particularly*] Make

* Here let the Child be Instructed by the Master or Mistress, to confess and bewail in particular, every Sin which may have been committed by him or her in the Day past, whether [Lying, taking God's Name in vain, Stealing, Quarrelling, Stubbornness, or any other.]

Make me, O Lord, throughly sensible of the great Weakness and Corruption of my Nature, and the many Errors of my Life.

Assist me, I pray thee, in making it my constant Endeavour to resist and conquer every evil Inclination within me, and every Temptation from without.

Help me daily to increase in the Knowledge and Love of thee, my God, and of my Saviour Jesus Christ.

Shew me the Way in which I should walk, whilst I am Young, and grant that I may never depart from it.

Bless to me, I pray, whatsoever good Instructions have been given me this Day; help me carefully to remember them, and duly to improve them, that I may be ever growing in Knowledge, and Wisdom, and Goodness.

Bless and defend, I beseech thee, from all their Enemies, our most gracious Sovereign Lord King *GEORG E*, their Royal Highnesses *Frederick Prince of Wales*, the *Princess of Wales*, the Duke, the Princesses, the Issue of the Prince and Princess of *Wales*, and all the Royal Family.

I humbly beg thy Blessing also upon all our spiritual Pastors and Masters, all my

my Relations and Friends, (particularly my * Father and Mother, my Brothers and Sisters,) and every one in this House. Let it please thee to guide us all in this Life present, and to conduct us to thy Heavenly Kingdom.

I humbly commit my Soul and Body to thy Care this Night, begging thy gracious Protection and Blessing, thro' Jesus Christ our only Lord and Saviour; in whose Words I conclude my Prayers.

Our Father, &c.

A Short Prayer for every Child, when they first come into their Seats at Church.

LORD, I am now in thy House; assist I pray thee, and accept of my Services; let thy holy Spirit help my Infirmities, disposing my Heart to Seriousness, Attention, and Devotion, to the Honour of thy holy Name, and the Benefit of my Soul, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

Before

* Here let the Child mention his or her particular Relations.

Before they leave their Seat, thus :

Blessed be thy Name, O Lord, for this Opportunity of attending thee in thy House and Service.

Make me, I pray thee, a Doer of thy Word, not a Hearer only. Accept both us and our Services, through our only Mediator *Jesus Christ.* *Amen.*

A Grace before Meat.

Sanctify, O Lord, we beseech thee, these thy good Creatures to our Use, and us to thy Service, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord. *Amen.*

A Grace after Meat.

Blessed and praised be thy holy Name, O Lord, for these and all thy other Blessings bestow'd upon us, through *Jesus Christ* our Lord. *Amen.*

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